

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of

Expanding Consumers' Video Navigation
Choices

Commercial Availability of Navigation
Devices

MB Docket No. 16-42

CS Docket No. 97-80

PETITION TO ALLOW PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.41, the undersigned programmers and content creators petition the Commission to allow the public to comment on its current proposal in the above-captioned proceeding. Petitioners are particularly concerned about safeguarding the rights of consumers and content owners, yet the details of the Commission's substantially revised proposal have never been released to the public. We share the views of the dozens of Members of Congress¹ and the 19 national civil and social rights organizations² that have recently urged the Commission to give the public an opportunity to review and comment on the Commission's current proposal. We further ask that the Commission lift the Sunshine restrictions that prevent full discussion of these issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ See, e.g., Letter from Representative Cardenas and 63 Colleagues to Commission (Sept. 22, 2016), <https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/109280924022103/Cardenas%20Notice%20of%20Ex%20Parte%20Communication.pdf>.

² Petition to Lift Sunshine and Allow Public Comment (Oct. 3, 2016), <https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/10021023509642/Coalition%20Petition%20to%20Lift%20Sunshine%20and%20Allow%20Public%20Comments%20in%20Set%20Top%20Box%20Proceeding%2010022016.pdf>.

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